

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 1, line 3, please insert the following:

This application claims priority to International Patent Application No. PCT/GB03/003367 filed on July 30, 2003, which claims priority to GB Patent Application No. 0217570.1 filed on July 30, 2002.

Please insert the below abstract as the last page of the application.

**Abstract**

Method of analysing at least one parameter of a body component is provided. The method includes illuminating the component or body with light of at least a first and second waveband, receiving light of at least said first and second wavebands remitted by the component at a photoreceptor or photoreceptors, and analysing the light received at the photoreceptor (s) to provide a ratio between the amount of light remitted of the first waveband and the amount of light remitted of the second waveband, and from this calculating the component parameter.